

In the Specification

Please substitute the following paragraphs for the corresponding paragraphs being amended:

[0033] A first one of the cooling circuits 34 is illustrated in Figures 2 and 3 and includes multiple cascade flow channels 46 extending longitudinally from root to tip of the airfoil and separated axially or chordally by corresponding perforate partitions ~~for~~ or bridges 48. Each bridge includes a longitudinal row of impingement holes 50 extending obliquely therethrough for cascade impingement cooling in series the inner surface of the airfoil using the same air 32 received through the first inlet channel 40.

[0047] Since the three inlet channels 40-44 are grouped together inside the airfoil, with the separate cascade circuits being distributed outwardly therefrom, the various impingement holes 50 are suitably inclined through the respective perforate partitions 48 to obliquely ~~impingement~~ impinge the cooling air 32 against the corresponding portions of the airfoil inner surface. The inclination angle of the impingement holes varies as a function of the angular orientation of the perforate partitions in the respective cooling circuits relative to the corresponding concave and convex portions of the airfoil outer surface.